

CHRONOLOGICAL TABLE OF LEADING EVENTS.

The *Year-Book* for 1916-17 contained, on pages 31 to 50, a chronological table of leading events in Victorian history for the years 1770 to 1900 inclusive, and of leading events in Victoria and other history for the years 1901 to 1916 inclusive. The leading events in the fifteen years 1917 to 1931 were given in the volumes relating to those years.

Some of the principal events in Victorian and Australian history during 1932 were as follows :—

1932—17th January	..	Death in Melbourne of Captain Albert Jacka, first Australian to be awarded a V.C. in the Great War.
5th February	..	Bush fires raged in many districts in Victoria. Six men were overtaken by flames at Erica and all perished.
19th March	..	Sydney Harbour Bridge opened.
13th April	..	Hogan Ministry defeated on a vote of the Legislative Assembly.
14th May	..	Legislative Assembly Elections held and Labour Party defeated.
19th May	..	New Ministry, with Sir Stanley Argyle, K.B.E., M.R.C.S., as Premier, assumed office.
10th July	..	Coastal Steamer <i>Casino</i> capsized and sank in Apollo Bay. Ten lives were lost.
26th July	..	Death announced of Sir William McPherson, a former Premier of this State.

CONSTITUTION AND GOVERNMENT.

The Present Constitution.

An article containing full information regarding the Present Constitution of Victoria appeared in the *Year-Book* for 1928-29, pages 9 to 16.

ELECTIONS FOR THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, 1931.

Elections for the Legislative Council. At the triennial elections for the Legislative Council, held on 6th June, 1931, nine seats were contested, eight members being returned unopposed. A statement showing the number of electors on the rolls for each province; also the number and proportion who voted in the provinces where elections were held, appeared in the *Year-Book* for 1930-31, page 7.

ELECTIONS FOR THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 1932.

Elections. Legislative Assembly. At the elections for the Legislative Assembly held on 14th May, 1932, there were contests in 44 of the 65 constituencies, each returning one member. The number of electors on the rolls was 1,055,301—510,809 males and 544,492 females. In contested districts 94·16 per cent. of the electors recorded their votes, the proportion for males being 94·56 per cent. and for females 93·77 per cent.

A statement was published in the *Year-Book* for 1931-32, page 11, which shows the number of electors on the rolls of each electoral district, also the number of votes polled at the election in each contested district and the percentage of such votes to the number on the rolls.

Preferential Voting. The preferential system of voting adopted in 1911 for Assembly elections, and in 1921, for Council elections, is still in force. An illustration of this system of voting is given in the *Year-Book* for 1928-29, page 19.

In 20 of the 44 contested districts in the election of 14th May, 1932, there were more than two candidates. In twelve of these the successful candidate had an absolute majority of the total first preferences recorded, and consequently a second count was unnecessary. In three of the other eight contests the candidate who occupied the highest position on the first count was displaced after the second and subsequent preferences were distributed.

Absent Voting. The legislation providing for absent voting was assented to on the 10th November, 1927, and was applied generally for the first time at the general election for the Legislative Assembly in November, 1929.

Compulsory Voting. Compulsory voting was again in operation at the general election for the Legislative Assembly on 14th May, 1932, this being the third general election at which it has been in operation.

PROPORTION OF VOTERS AT GENERAL ELECTIONS FOR THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 1856-1932.

The first general election for the Legislative Assembly was held in the year 1856. The following statement shows the proportion of electors of contested districts who voted at each of the general elections held since the year 1856:—

Year of General Election.	Proportion of Electors of Contested Districts who Voted.	Year of General Election.	Proportion of Electors of Contested Districts who Voted.	Year of General Election.	Proportion of Electors of Contested Districts who Voted.
	%		%		%
1856	*	1883	64·96	1911	63·61
1859	*	1886	64·70	1914	53·92
1861	*	1889	66·58	1917	54·21
1864	*	1892	65·12	1920	63·70
1866	55·10	1894	70·99	1921	57·26
1868	61·59	1897	70·33	1924	59·24
1871	65·02	1900	63·47	1927	91·76†
1874	61·00	1902	65·47	1929	93·72
1877	62·29	1904	66·72	1932	94·16
1880 (Feb.)	66·56	1907	61·26		
1880 (July)	65·85	1908	53·64		

* Not available.

† The increase in the percentage of voters is accounted for by voting having been made compulsory by Act No. 3488, passed on 23rd December, 1926.

DURATION OF PARLIAMENTS AND SESSIONS,
1856 TO 1932.

During the period 1856 to 1927 the number of Parliaments was 28. A statement showing the duration in days of each Parliament, the number of days in session, and the percentage of the latter to the former appears in the *Year-Book* for 1928-29, page 21. Similar information in regard to the twenty-ninth and thirtieth Parliaments is shown in the following statement:—

Number of Parliament.	Period.	Duration of Parliament.	Days in Session.	
			Number.	Percentage to Duration.
		Days.		%
Twenty-ninth	1927-29	850	542	63·8
Thirtieth	1929-32	864	596	69·0

STATE ACTS PASSED DURING 1932.

The following is a synopsis of each Act passed by the State Parliament during 1932:—

Act No.	Date.	
4018	20th April	.. This Act applies a sum not exceeding £3,499,682 out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year 1931-32 and provides for the appropriation of all sums amounting to £15,283,362 granted out of the Consolidated Revenue by this Act and the other Acts mentioned in the First Schedule to this Act.
4019	20th April	.. The <i>Unemployed Occupiers Act 1932</i> amends certain provisions of Part I. of the <i>Unemployed Occupiers and Farmers Relief Act 1931</i> relating to declaration that may be required on application for foreclosure and to the limit of duration of protection orders for tenants or mortgagors.
4020	30th June	.. The <i>Financial Emergency (Amendment) Act 1932</i> extends the period for reduction of salaries of public servants and of certain non-contributory pensions, &c.
4021	30th June	.. The <i>Judgments (Reciprocity) Act 1932</i> amends Division 12 of Part VIII. of the <i>Supreme Court Act 1928</i> so far as relating to certain awards not enforceable under Commonwealth Acts.
4022	30th June	.. The <i>Public Service Payments Reduction Act 1930 Amendment Act 1932</i> provides that pensions paid under the provisions of Part III. of the <i>Police Regulation Act 1928</i> shall not be subject to reduction under the <i>Public Service Payments Reduction Act 1930</i> .

Act No.	Date.	
4023 ..	30th June	.. The <i>Unemployment Relief (Amendment) Act 1932</i> makes provision for the establishment of the Employment Council of Victoria and for the payment out of the Unemployment Relief Fund for shelter, clothing and firewood for persons out of employment. (<i>Repealed by Act No. 4079</i>).
4024 ..	30th June	.. This Act applies out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of £2,306,453 to the service of the year 1932-33.
4025 ..	30th June	.. The <i>Unemployed Occupiers Act 1932</i> (No. 2) amends certain provisions of Part I. of the <i>Unemployed Occupiers and Farmers Relief Act 1931</i> relating to declaration that may be required on application for foreclosure and to the limit of duration of protection orders for tenants and mortgagors.
4026 ..	30th June	.. The <i>Stamps (Unemployment Relief) Act 1932</i> amends and continues the operation of the Stamps (Unemployment Relief) Acts until 5th November, 1932.
4027 ..	11th July	.. The <i>Unemployment Relief Works (Commonwealth and States) Act 1932</i> authorizes the raising of money by the State for the purposes of the Commonwealth Acts known as the <i>Loan (Unemployment Relief Works) Acts 1932</i> and relates to the provision by the State as to moneys required in respect of interest on amounts borrowed in accordance with the said Acts by certain authorities and bodies of persons.
4028 ..	11th July	.. The <i>Moorabbin Loans Act 1932</i> authorizes the Shire of Moorabbin to expend balances of certain moneys for purposes other than the purposes for which the said moneys were borrowed.
4029 ..	11th July	.. The <i>Local Government Act 1932</i> gives authority to municipal councils to add a limited sum, for preparation of specifications, plans, &c., to the actual cost of the work of forming and making streets, roads, lanes, and drains under certain provisions of the <i>Local Government Act 1928</i> .
4030 ..	11th July	.. The <i>State Coal Mine Industrial Tribunal Act 1932</i> provides for the establishment of an industrial tribunal, consisting of a County Court judge and representatives of the Victorian Railway Commissioners and employees of the State Coal Mine, with power to determine rates of pay and conditions of employment at or in connexion with the State Coal Mine at Wonthaggi.
4031 ..	11th July	.. The <i>Infectious Diseases Hospital Act 1932</i> gives power to the Queen's Memorial Infectious Diseases Hospital Board to borrow, on the credit of the contributing municipalities, a sum not exceeding £25,000 for the purpose of erecting and equipping suitable buildings.
4032 ..	11th July	.. The <i>Motor Omnibus (By-laws) Act 1932</i> makes a retrospective amendment of the <i>Motor Omnibus Act 1928</i> as to publication of by-laws.

Act No.	Date.	
4033 ..	11th July	.. The <i>Entertainments Tax Act</i> 1932 provides for the imposition of increased rates of entertainment tax.
4034 ..	11th July	.. The <i>Freezing Works (Overdraft Guarantee) Act</i> 1932 authorizes the Treasurer of Victoria to guarantee the payment to the Commonwealth Bank of Australia by the Amalgamated Freezing Company (Victoria) Proprietary Limited of moneys advanced by way of overdraft for the purposes of the undertakings by the company at Ballarat and Bendigo during 1932-33.
4035 ..	11th July	.. The <i>Income Tax (Amendment) Act</i> 1932 amends the provisions of the <i>Income Tax Acts Amendment Act</i> 1931 as to alterations to assessments.
4036 ..	11th July	.. The <i>Buchan Lands Exchange Act</i> 1932 provides for the exchange of certain Crown lands in the town of Buchan for certain other lands.
4037 ..	19th July	.. This Act applies out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of £570,555 to the service of the year 1931-32.
4038 ..	19th July	.. The <i>Country Roads Board Fund Act</i> 1932 provides <i>inter alia</i> for the payment into the Consolidated Revenue out of Country Roads Board Fund of the sum of £150,000 in respect of the financial year 1931-32.
4039 ..	19th July	.. The <i>Daylesford Land Act</i> 1932 provides for the revocation and the reservation of certain Crown land in the Borough of Daylesford for markets purposes and for the use of portions thereof for market, municipal, educational and fire brigade purposes.
4040 ..	8th September	.. This Act applies out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of £971,627 to the service of the year 1932-33.
4041 ..	26th September	.. The <i>Brunswick Loan Act</i> 1932 authorizes the municipality of the City of Brunswick to expend the balance of certain moneys for purposes other than the purposes for which the moneys were borrowed.
4042 ..	26th September	.. The <i>Charlton Land Act</i> 1932 provides for the closing of portion of a certain street in the township of Charlton and for the issue of a Crown grant of the said portion to the Country Fire Brigades Board.
4043 ..	26th September	.. The <i>Government Advances (Reduction of Interest) Act</i> 1932 provides for the temporary reduction of the rate of interest payable to the State under certain enactments.
4044 ..	26th September	.. The <i>Gormandale Land Act</i> 1932 makes provision for the revocation of the reservation and for the sale of certain Crown land in the township of Gormandale.

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4045 ..	30th September	.. The <i>Motor Car Act 1932</i> provides that motor cars registered in other States may under certain conditions be used in Victoria for carrying passengers for hire or goods for hire or in the cause of trade.
4046 ..	30th September	.. The <i>Financial Emergency (Railway Construction Trusts) Act 1932</i> provides for any railway construction trust to be a public or local authority in respect of reduction of interest under Part III. of the <i>Financial Emergency Act 1931</i> .
4047 ..	30th September	.. The <i>Financial Emergency (Moratorium) Act 1932</i> extends the period of restriction of mortgagees' rights under the <i>Financial Emergency Act 1931</i> .
4048 ..	3rd October	.. The <i>Melbourne and Geelong Debentures and Inscribed Stock Act 1932</i> relates to the issue of debentures or inscribed stock in respect of moneys borrowed by the corporations of the City of Melbourne and the City of Geelong respectively.
4049 ..	6th October	.. This Act applies out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of £960,255 to the service of the year 1932-33.
4050 ..	13th October	.. The <i>Country Roads (Traction Engine Fees) Act 1932</i> fixes the registration fees for traction engines for haulage of agricultural machinery and for road-making machinery.
4051 ..	13th October	.. The <i>Treasury Overdrafts Act 1932</i> extends the duration of the <i>Treasury Overdrafts Act 1930</i> until 31st December, 1934.
4052 ..	13th October	.. The <i>Pensions Reduction Act 1932</i> provides for the reduction until the 6th July, 1933, of amounts contributed by the State in respect of certain pensions.
4053 ..	13th October	.. The <i>Unemployment Relief (Amendment) Act 1932</i> (No. 2) relates to rates of pay for work on any works for the relief of unemployment. (<i>Repealed by Act No. 4079</i>).
4054 ..	13th October	.. The <i>Stamps (Betting Tax) Act 1932</i> requires every bookmaker to furnish periodically statements of particulars of all booked bets and of all cash bets where the amount wagered by the backer is £5 or over made in Victoria by him and provides for the imposition of stamp duties on such statements on a scale of rates with a minimum of 1s. on every amount so wagered of £5 and up to but not including £10 and a maximum of 10s. on every amount wagered of and over £250.
4055 ..	31st October	.. The <i>Financial Emergency (Moratorium) Act 1932</i> (No. 2) further extends the period of restriction of mortgagees rights under the <i>Financial Emergency Act 1931</i> .
4056 ..	31st October	.. The <i>Income Tax Acts Amendment Act 1932</i> provides for the payment by instalments by employees of taxes on income.

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4057 ..	31st October	.. The <i>Unemployment Relief (Taxation) Act</i> 1932 provides for imposing a graduated tax on income for raising further moneys for the relief of unemployment. Every person whose gross income for the year ending 30th June, 1932, amounted to £50 and upwards is required to furnish a return of such income.
4058 ..	3rd November	.. This Act applies out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of £954,906 to the service of the year 1932-33.
4059 ..	7th November	.. The <i>Income Tax Act</i> 1932 declares the rates of income tax on incomes earned during the year ended 30th June, 1932.
4060 ..	7th November	.. The <i>Farmers Relief Act</i> 1932 amends Part II. of <i>Unemployed Occupiers and Farmers Relief Act</i> 1931 relating to the temporary relief of farmers in respect of debts.
4061 ..	22nd November	.. The <i>Marriage (Validating) Act</i> 1932 provides facilities for enabling certain "marriages in fact" to be declared not to be invalid.
4062 ..	28th November	.. The <i>Blackburn and Mitcham Loan Act</i> 1932 authorizes the Shire of Blackburn and Mitcham to construct and provide certain permanent works and undertakings in lieu of certain other permanent works and undertakings.
4063 ..	30th November	.. This Act applies out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of £1,027,969 to the service of the year 1932-33.
4064 ..	30th November	.. The <i>Financial Emergency (Moratorium) Act</i> 1932 (No. 3) extends the period of restriction of the rights of mortgagees.
4065 ..	5th December	.. The <i>Fisheries (Trout Licences) Act</i> 1932 provides for the issue of licences to fish for non-indigenous trout to persons over 17 years of age on payment of fee.
4066 ..	5th December	.. The <i>Administration and Probate Duties Act</i> 1932 provides for the continuance until 31st December, 1933, of the additional duties payable under Part III. of the <i>Finance Act</i> 1930.
4067 ..	5th December	.. The <i>Treasury Bonds Act</i> 1932 authorized the issue of Treasury Bonds.
4068 ..	5th December	.. The <i>Land Tax Act</i> 1932 declares the rate of land tax for the year ending 31st December, 1933, and provides that interest on unpaid tax shall be payable from due date of payment of tax.
4069 ..	5th December	.. The <i>Betting Tax (Shooting Contests) Act</i> 1932 provides that bookmakers shall obtain from the Comptroller of Stamps authority duly stamped before betting at shooting contests on sports grounds.

Act No.	Date.	
4070 ..	5th December	.. The <i>Wrongs Act</i> 1932 amends Part III. of the <i>Wrongs Act</i> 1928 and provides that at the trial of an action for a libel contained in any newspaper the defendant shall be at liberty to give evidence in mitigation of damages or compensation in respect of a libel or libels to the same purport or effect as the libel for which such action has been brought.
4071 ..	9th December	.. The <i>State Savings Bank Act</i> 1932 amends the <i>State Savings Bank Act</i> 1928 and approves and provides for the carrying into effect an agreement between the Commonwealth of Australia and the Commissioners of the State Savings Bank of Victoria for the termination of an agreement made in 1927 relating to war service homes.
4072 ..	12th December	.. The <i>Stamps Act</i> 1932 provides <i>inter alia</i> for the continuance to specified dates of increased stamp duties previously imposed, for the imposition of new stamp duties on powers of attorney and for an increase in the stamp duty on cheques from 1½d. to 2d.
4073 ..	19th December	.. The <i>Cultivation Advances Act</i> 1932 enables government advances to be made on certain terms to farmers who through the existence or consequences of drought or other adverse climatic conditions would not be able without advances to fallow or crop their farms or a reasonably sufficient area thereof.
4074 ..	19th December	.. The <i>Police Offences (False Advertisements) Act</i> 1932 provides that proceedings may be taken against any person who publishes or causes to be published any statement which to his knowledge is false in any material particular and is intended to promote the sale of any real or personal property.
4075 ..	19th December	.. The <i>State Forests Loan Application Act</i> 1932 sanctions the issue and application of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts or in the State Loans Repayment Fund for State forests.
4076 ..	19th December	.. The <i>Theatres Act</i> 1932 provides that every advertisement with respect to a film or the exhibition of any cinematograph feature shall contain a statement to the effect that the censor has approved the film for general exhibition or suitable only for exhibition before adult persons as the case may be.
4077 ..	19th December	.. The <i>Public Works Loan Application Act</i> 1932 sanctions the issue and application of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts or in the State Loans Repayment Fund for public works and other purposes.

Act No.	Date.	
4078	.. 19th December	.. The <i>Albert Park Land Act 1932</i> revokes the Crown grant of certain land, known as Albert Park, situated in the municipalities of South Melbourne and St. Kilda and reserved from sale permanently as a site for a public park and validates certain matters relating to the irregular appointment and acts of the committee of management.
4079	.. 21st December	.. The <i>Unemployment Relief (Administration) Act 1932</i> consolidates and amends the Unemployment Relief Acts in operation and provides that work of a prescribed class shall be performed for municipalities by every male person who receives sustenance; for the appointment by every municipal council of a public assistance committee for the local administration of certain provisions of this Act; and for the control by the issue of licences of all collections of money or goods for the relief of unemployment.
4080	.. 29th December	.. The <i>Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board Act 1932</i> provides for the continuance in office of members of the Board.
4081	.. 29th December	.. The <i>Local Government (Debentures) Act 1932</i> gives power to municipalities to enter into agreements with debenture holders whereby the terms and conditions of debentures may be varied by the postponement for a period of not more than ten years of the date for the payment of principal or of interest on debentures and to agree with certain owners liable to contribute by instalments to the cost of works for which moneys were borrowed to the postponement of the date for the payment of the whole or any part of any of the instalments.
4082	.. 29th December	.. The <i>Education (Fees) Act 1932</i> provides for the making of regulations for the payment of fees for instruction in secondary school subjects.
4083	.. 29th December	.. The <i>Country Sewerage Loan Application Act 1932</i> sanctions the issue and application of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts or in the State Loans Repayment Fund for sewerage works in country districts.
4084	.. 29th December	.. The <i>Water Supply Loans Application Act 1932</i> sanctions the issue and applications of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for irrigation works water supply works drainage and flood protection works in country districts and for works under the River Murray Works Acts.
4085	.. 29th December	.. The <i>Superannuation (Retirement) Act 1932</i> provides that any male officer who has attained the age of 60 years and any female officer who has attained the age of 55 years may retire from the public service before 1st July, 1933, on full pension if the Treasurer of Victoria is of opinion that such retirement will result in a reduction of expenditure out of the consolidated revenue or railways revenue.

Act No.	Date.	
4086 ..	29th December	.. The <i>Country Roads Board Fund Act</i> 1932 (No. 2) provides that all fees (other than fees for licences to drive motor cars) and fines paid under the Motor Car Acts less the cost of collection of such fees and fines shall be placed to the credit of the Country Roads Board Fund, and for the suspension for the year 1931-32 of the annual payment of the amount of £50,000 out of the consolidated revenue into the Country Roads Board Fund.
4087 ..	29th December	.. The <i>State Electricity Commission (Borrowing) Act</i> 1932 authorizes the State Electricity Commission of Victoria to raise moneys by the issue of debentures and inscribed stock for the payment of moneys to the Melbourne Electric Supply Company Limited and the Electric Supply Company of Victoria Limited under agreements relating to the purchase of electrical and tramway undertakings.
4088 ..	29th December	.. The <i>Dried Fruits Act</i> 1932 gives power to the Government to purchase by agreement or acquire compulsorily dried fruits in Victoria.
4089 ..	29th December	.. The <i>Deutgam Land Act</i> 1932 revokes the permanent reservation of certain land in the parish of Deutgam and provides for the grant of the said land to the Commonwealth of Australia as a site for a base for seaplanes of the Australian Air Force.
4090 ..	29th December	.. The <i>Superannuation and Other Trust Funds Validation Act</i> 1932 removes doubts as to the validity of certain superannuation and other funds.
4091 ..	29th December	.. The <i>Closer Settlement Act</i> 1932 provides for the appointment of the Closer Settlement Commission consisting of five members to succeed the Closer Settlement Board. The members of the Commission are entitled to hold office for a period of five years. Provision is made for the annual adjustment of liabilities of settlers for a period of five years. In making any such adjustment the Commission shall have regard to (a) ruling prices of farm products (b) seasonal conditions (c) requirements for the maintenance of the settler and of his family (d) the means and ability of the settler to make any adjusted payment (e) efforts made by the settler to meet his liabilities (f) any other factors which in the opinion of the Commission are proper to be considered. Provision is also made for the assessment of the liabilities of settlers at the end of five years, and for the writing off of the difference between the amount of the valuation of the land and improvements and the sum of the capital value at which the land was sold, the amount of advances for improvements and the arrears of interest. Discretionary power is given to the Commission to reduce the amount to be written off if the Commission is satisfied that the value of the land and improvements has been adversely affected by the failure of the settler to work the land or maintain the improvements in a proper manner.

Act No.	Date.	
4092 ..	29th December	.. The <i>Boy Scouts Association Act</i> 1932 incorporates the Boy Scouts Association, Victorian Branch.
4093 ..	29th December	.. The <i>Carriages Act</i> 1932 gives power to the councils of the cities of Melbourne and Geelong to limit the number of hackney carriages plying for hire.
4094 ..	29th December	.. The <i>Thornbury Land Act</i> 1932 authorizes the granting of a lease, for a period of fifteen years, of certain Crown lands situated at Thornbury to the Glen Iris Brick Tile and Terra Cotta Company Proprietary Limited.
4095 ..	29th December	.. The <i>Land Act</i> 1932 amends the <i>Land Act</i> 1928 and provides <i>inter alia</i> for the modification of the requirements with regard to improvements in residential or non-residential selection purchase leases or in perpetual leases.
4096 ..	29th December	.. The <i>Forest Act</i> 1932 gives power to exchange forest lands for unoccupied Crown lands.
4097 ..	29th December	.. The <i>Unemployment Relief Loan and Application Act</i> 1932 authorizes the raising of money for the relief of unemployment and for the advancing of such money by way of loan to public authorities for approved works for the relief of unemployment.
4098 ..	29th December	.. The <i>Railway Loan Application Act</i> 1932 sanctions the issue and application of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for railways and other purposes.
4099 ..	29th December	.. The <i>Firearms Act</i> 1932 revokes and cancels every pistol certificate and pistol permit granted and every registration of a pistol effected before the coming into operation of this Act, and makes a fresh application to the Chief Commissioner of Police necessary for the registration of any pistol.
4100 ..	29th December	.. The <i>Transport Regulation Act</i> 1932 provides for the appointment of a Board with power to report and make recommendations with respect to the better and more economic co-ordination or better regulation and control of railway tramway motor sea and air transport.
4101 ..	29th December	.. The <i>Wheatgrowers Relief (Commonwealth Payment) Act</i> 1932 makes provision for applying for the benefit and assistance of wheatgrowers in Victoria certain moneys paid to the State pursuant to the provisions of the Commonwealth Act known as the <i>Financial Relief Act</i> 1932, and also provides for the distribution of such moneys amongst the wheatgrowers in the ratio which the acreage of the wheat crop sown by such wheatgrower in the year 1932 bears to the whole acreage of the wheat crops in Victoria sown by all wheatgrowers in the year 1932.
4102 ..	29th December	.. The <i>Factories and Shops (Sundays) Act</i> 1932 prohibits the employment of any person on a Sunday in clothing, boot or knitting factories, and provides such prohibition may be suspended by the Secretary for Labour in order to meet exigencies of trade.

Act No.	Date.	
4103	.. 29th December	.. The <i>Police Offences (Race-meetings) Act</i> 1932 makes provision for the payment of interest on unpaid balance of compensation that may be due in respect to the closing of certain racecourses.
4104	.. 29th December	.. The <i>Milk Board Act</i> 1932 provides for the appointment of a Milk Board for the purpose of reporting and making recommendations as to the regulation and control of the supply of milk to the metropolis and the better and more economic collection transportation treatment, and distribution of milk including the prices paid to producers and the prices paid by consumers.
4105	.. 29th December	.. The <i>Landlord and Tenant Act</i> 1932 amends the law relating to distress for rent by providing for the sale of hire purchase goods by landlord in certain cases and for the application of the proceeds of sale.
4106	.. 29th December	.. The <i>Financial Emergency (Mortgages) Act</i> 1932 provides <i>inter alia</i> for the continuance to 1st October, 1934, of the period of restriction of rights of mortgagees, and that any provisions in certain mortgages and agreements renewing mortgages negating or excluding any of the provisions of the Financial Emergency Acts or restricting rights of mortgagors shall be void.

OFFICIAL AND PARLIAMENTARY.

The following statement shows the names and periods of office of Governors and Acting Governors of the State since the first appointment of Mr. Charles Joseph La Trobe as Superintendent, in 1839 :—

GOVERNORS OF VICTORIA.

Name.	Date of Assumption of Office.	Date of Retirement from Office.
Charles Joseph La Trobe ..	30th September, 1839	5th May, 1854
John Vesey Fitzgerald Foster (acting)	8th May, 1854 ..	22nd June, 1854
Captain Sir Charles Hotham, R.N., K.C.B.	22nd June, 1854 ..	31st December, 1855*
Major-General Edward Macarthur (acting)	1st January, 1856 ..	26th December, 1856
Sir Henry Barkly, K.C.B. ..	26th December, 1856	10th September, 1863
Sir Charles Henry Darling, K.C.B.	11th September, 1863	7th May, 1866
Brigadier-General George Jackson Carey, C.B. (acting)	7th May, 1866 ..	15th August, 1866
The Honorable Sir John Henry Thomas Manners-Sutton, K.C.B.	15th August, 1866 ..	2nd March, 1873
Sir William Foster Stawell, Kt. (acting)	3rd March, 1873 ..	19th March, 1873

* Died on this date.

GOVERNORS OF VICTORIA.—*continued.*

Name.	Date of Assumption of Office.	Date of Retirement from Office.
Sir George Ferguson Bowen, G.C.M.G.	31st March, 1873 ..	22nd February, 1879
Sir Redmond Barry, Kt. (acting)	3rd January, 1875 ..	10th January, 1875
Sir William Foster Stawell, Kt. (acting)	11th January, 1875..	14th January, 1876
The Most Honorable George Augustus Constantine Phipps, Marquis of Normanby, G.C.M.G., P.C.	27th February, 1879	18th April, 1884
Sir William Foster Stawell, Kt. (acting)	18th April, 1884 ..	15th July, 1884
Sir Henry Brougham Loch, { G.C.M.G., K.C.B.	15th July, 1884 .. 18th October, 1889	8th March, 1889 15th November, 1889
Sir William Cleaver Francis { Robinson, G.C.M.G. (acting) }	9th March, 1889 .. 16th November, 1889	17th October, 1889 27th November, 1889
The Right Honorable John Adrian Louis Hope, Earl of Hopetoun, G.C.M.G.	28th November, 1889	12th July, 1895
The Honorable John Madden, { LL.D. (acting) }	26th January, 1893.. 27th March, 1895 ..	11th May, 1893 24th October, 1895
The Right Honorable Baron Brassey, K.C.B.	25th October, 1895	31st March, 1900
The Honorable Sir John Madden, K.C.M.G., LL.D. { (acting) }	29th December, 1896 27th September, 1897 23rd March, 1898 ..	16th February, 1897 10th October, 1897 21st October, 1898
The Honorable Sir John Madden, K.C.M.G., LL.D., Lieutenant-Governor (acting)	15th January, 1900..	10th December, 1901
Sir George Sydenham Clarke, K.C.M.G., F.R.S.	10th December, 1901	24th November, 1903
The Honorable Sir John Madden, K.C.M.G., LL.D., Lieutenant-Governor (acting)	24th November, 1903	25th April, 1904
Major-General Hon. Sir Reginald Arthur James Talbot, K.C.B.	25th April, 1904 ..	6th July, 1908
The Honorable Sir John Madden, G.C.M.G., LL.D., Lieutenant-Governor (acting) }	20th March, 1907 .. 6th July, 1908 .. 19th May, 1911 .. 28th August, 1913 ..	18th November, 1907 27th July, 1908 24th May, 1911 23rd February, 1914
Sir Thomas David Gibson Carmichael, Baronet, K.C.M.G.	27th July, 1908 ..	19th May, 1911
Sir John Michael Fleetwood Fuller, Baronet, K.C.M.G.	24th May, 1911 ..	31st January, 1914

GOVERNORS OF VICTORIA—continued.

Name.	Date of Assumption of Office.	Date of Retirement from Office.
Sir Arthur Lyulph Stanley, K.C.M.G.*	23rd February, 1914	30th January, 1920
Sir William Hill Irvine, K.C.M.G., LL.D., Lieutenant-Governor (acting)†	30th July, 1919 ..	24th February, 1921
	1st April, 1923 ..	24th October, 1923
	8th April, 1926 ..	27th June, 1926
	26th April, 1929 ..	27th October, 1929
	3rd October, 1930 ..	21st January, 1931
The Right Hon. the Earl of Stradbroke, K.C.M.G., C.B., C.V.O., C.B.E.‡	24th February, 1921	7th April, 1926
Lieutenant-Colonel The Right Hon. Arthur Herbert Tennyson, Baron Somers, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., M.C.§	28th June, 1926 ..	23rd June, 1931
Sir William Hill Irvine, K.C.M.G., LL.D., Lieutenant-Governor	24th June, 1931	

NOTE.—Captain William Lonsdale, formerly of the 4th Regiment, was appointed Police Magistrate of the District of Port Phillip on 9th September, 1836, and assumed office on the 29th of the same month. In that capacity he was in charge of the District until the appointment of Mr. C. J. La Trobe as Superintendent. Subsequently, Captain Lonsdale acted as Superintendent during the temporary absence of Mr. La Trobe, who was called on to administer the Government of Tasmania from the 13th October, 1846, to the 24th January, 1847.

* On leave of absence for six months from 30th July, 1919.

† Sir William H. Irvine was appointed Lieutenant-Governor to act in the absence of the Governor, by Commission dated 11th May, 1918.

‡ On leave of absence from 1st April, 1923, to 24th October, 1923.

§ On leave from 26th April, 1929, to 27th October, 1929, and administered the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia from 3rd October, 1930, to 21st January, 1931.

MINISTERS PRIOR TO RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT.

In the *Year-Book* for 1928–29, page 29, appears a statement which shows the names of Ministers who held office from the separation of the Colony from New South Wales in 1851 up to the establishment of responsible Government in 1855. The office which each Minister held and the date of assumption of office are also shown.

MINISTRIES SINCE RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT.

During the period 28th November, 1855, to 22nd November, 1928, the number of Ministries was 45. A statement showing the name of the Premier, the date of assumption of, the date of retirement from, and the duration of office of each of these Ministries appears in the

Year-Book for 1928-29, pages 30 and 31. Similar information in regard to the forty-sixth and forty-seventh Ministries is contained in the following statement :—

Number of Ministry and Name of Premier.	Date of Assumption of Office.	Date of Retirement from Office.	Duration of Office.
Forty-sixth—Sir William Murray McPherson, K.B.E.	22nd November, 1928	12th December, 1929	Days. 385
Forty-seventh—Edmond John Hogan	12th December, 1929	19th May, 1932	889

The forty-eighth and existing Ministry, in which the Hon. Sir S. S. Argyle is Premier, assumed office on 19th May, 1932. This Ministry consists of the following members :—

ARGYLE MINISTRY.

Argyle, Sir Stanley S., K.B.E., M.R.C.S., M.L.A.	Premier, Treasurer, and Minister of Public Health.
Macfarlan, Ian, M.L.A.	Chief Secretary and Minister in Charge of Electrical Undertakings.
Menzies, Robert Gordon, K.C., M.L.A.	Minister of Railways, Attorney-General, and Solicitor-General, and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works.
Allan, John, M.L.A.	Minister of Agriculture and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works.
Dunstan, Albert Arthur, M.L.A. ..	President of the Board of Land and Works, Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey, and Minister of Forests.
Pennington, John Warburton, C.B.E., M.L.A.	Minister of Public Instruction.
Jones, John Percy, M.L.C.	Commissioner of Public Works, Minister in charge of Immigration, Minister of Mines, and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works.
Goudie, George Louis, M.L.C.	Minister of Water Supply and Minister of Labour.
Chandler, Alfred Elliott, M.L.C. ..	Minister without Portfolio.
Cohen, Harold Edward, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D., M.L.C.	Minister without Portfolio.
Kent-Hughes, Wilfrid Selwyn, M.L.A.	Minister without Portfolio.
Manifold, Thomas Chester, M.L.A.	Minister without Portfolio.

The names of members and of officers of Parliament and of the constituencies which the members represent are given below:—

MEMBERS OF THE STATE PARLIAMENT, 1933.

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

President: Hon. Sir F. G. Clarke, K.B.E.

Name of Province.	Name of Member.	Date of Retirement.
Bendigo	Hon. Lieut.-Col. G. V. Lansell, V.D. ..	1934
	Hon. H. Keck	1937
East Yarra	Hon. C. H. A. Eager	1934
	Hon. W. H. Edgar (Chairman of Committees)	1937
Gippsland	Hon. M. McGregor	1934
	Hon. G. M. Davis	1937
Melbourne	Hon. H. H. Smith	1934
	Hon. H. I. Cohen, K.C.	1937
Melbourne East ..	Hon. J. P. Jones (Commissioner of Public Works, Minister of Mines, Minister in Charge of Immigration, and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works	1934
	Hon. D. L. McNamara	1937
Melbourne North ..	Hon. E. L. Kiernan	1934
	Hon. H. H. Olney	1937
Melbourne South ..	Hon. H. E. Cohen, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D. (Minister without Portfolio)	1934
	Hon. Sir F. G. Clarke, K.B.E. (President) ..	1937
Melbourne West ..	Hon. R. Williams	1934
	Hon. J. H. Disney	1937
Nelson	Hon. H. A. Currie, M.C.	1934
	Hon. E. G. Bath	1937
Northern	Hon. R. Kilpatrick	1934
	Hon. G. J. Tuckett	1937
North-Eastern ..	Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris	1934
	Hon. A. M. Zwar	1937
North-Western ..	Hon. H. Pye	1934
	Hon. G. L. Goudie (Minister of Water Supply and Minister of Labour)	1937
Southern	Hon. W. C. Angliss	1934
	Hon. W. L. R. Clarke	1937
South-Eastern ..	Hon. W. Tyner	1934
	Hon. A. E. Chandler (Minister without Portfolio)	1937
South-Western ..	Hon. H. F. Richardson	1934
	Hon. G. S. McArthur	1937
Wellington	Hon. F. W. Brawn	1934
	Hon. A. J. Pittard	1937
Western	Hon. M. Saltau	1934
	Hon. W. J. Williamson	1937

Clerk of the Legislative Council: P. T. Pook.

Clerk Assistant, Clerk of Committees, and Usher: H. B. Jamieson.

Clerk of the Records and Clerk Assistant at the Table: R. S. Sarah.

Clerk of the Papers: L. V. Hoyle.

MEMBERS OF THE STATE PARLIAMENT, 1933—*continued.*

THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Speaker : Hon. M. M. Blackburn.*

Name of Electoral District.	Name of Member.
Albert Park ..	H. V. Drew.
Allandale ..	Hon. Sir A. J. Peacock, K.C.M.G.†
Ballarat ..	T. T. Hollway.
Barwon ..	T. K. Maltby.
Benalla ..	E. F. Cleary.
Benambra ..	J. R. Paton.
Bendigo ..	A. E. Cook.
Boroondara ..	T. D. Oldham
Brighton ..	Hon. I. Macfarlan (Chief Secretary, and Minister in Charge of Electrical Undertakings).
Brunswick ..	J. R. Jewell.
Bulla-Dalhousie ..	H. O. White.
Carlton ..	W. Barry.
Castlemaine and Kyneton ..	C. Shields, M.B.
Caulfield ..	Sir. H. D. Luxton, K.B.
Clifton Hill ..	Hon. M. M. Blackburn (Speaker).
Coburg ..	F. P. Keane.
Collingwood ..	Hon. T. Tunnecliffe.
Dandenong ..	Hon. F. Groves.
Dundas ..	Hon. W. Slater.
Essendon ..	J. C. Dillon.
Evelyn ..	W. H. Everard.
Flemington ..	J. J. Holland.
Footscray ..	Hon. G. M. Prendergast.
Geelong ..	E. A. Austin.
Gippsland East ..	A. E. Lind.
Gippsland North ..	J. W. McLachlan.
Gippsland South ..	H. J. T. Hyland.
Gippsland West ..	M. Bennett.
Goulburn Valley ..	Colonel Hon. M. W. J. Bouchier, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D.
Grant ..	F. C. T. Holden.
Gunbower ..	Hon. H. Angus.
Hampden ..	Hon. T. C. Manifold (Minister without Portfolio).
Hawthorn ..	J. A. Gray.
Heidelberg ..	H. P. Zwar.
Kara Kara-Borong ..	Hon. J. W. Pennington, C.B.E. (Minister of Public Instruction).

* Elected 11th October, 1933, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. Sir A. J. Peacock, K.C.M.G., who died 7th October, 1933.

† Died 7th October, 1933.

MEMBERS OF THE STATE PARLIAMENT, 1933—*continued.*

THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—*continued.*

Name of Electoral District.	Name of Member.
Kew	Hon. W. S. Kent Hughes (Minister without Portfolio).
Korong-Eaglehawk ..	Hon. A. A. Dunstan (President of the Board of Land and Works, Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey, and Minister of Forests).
Lowan	Hon. M. E. Wettenhall.
Maryborough-Daylesford ..	G. C. Frost.
Melbourne	T. Hayes.
Mildura	A. G. Allnutt.
Mornington	A. J. Kirton.
Northcote	Hon. J. Cain.
Nunawading	Hon. R. G. Menzies, K.C. (Minister of Railways, Attorney-General and Solicitor-General, and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works).
Oakleigh	J. T. V. Smith.
Ouyen	A. L. Bussau.
Polwarth	Hon. J. McDonald.*
Port Fairy-Glenelg ..	E. E. Bond.
Port Melbourne	J. L. Murphy.
Prahran	J. McD. Ellis.
Richmond	E. J. Cotter.
Rodney	Hon. J. Allan (Minister of Agriculture and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works).
St. Kilda	A. Michaelis.
Stawell and Ararat ..	Hon. R. F. Toutcher.
Swan Hill	Hon. F. E. Old.
Toorak	Hon. Sir S. S. Argyle, K.B.E., M.R.C.S. (Premier, Treasurer, and Minister of Public Health).
Upper Goulburn	Hon. E. J. Mackrell.
Upper Yarra	Hon. Lieut.-Colonel G. H. Knox, C.M.G., V.D.
Walhalla	W. A. Moncur.
Wangaratta-Ovens ..	L. V. Diffey.
Waranga	E. A. Coyle.
Warrenheip-Grenville ..	Hon. E. J. Hogan.
Warrnambool	J. V. Fairbairn.†
Williamstown	Hon. J. Lemmon.
Wonthaggi	W. G. McKenzie.

* Died 15th August, 1933, succeeded by A. McK. McDonald.

† Resigned 13th October, 1933.

MEMBERS OF THE STATE PARLIAMENT, 1933—*continued*.THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—*continued*.

Clerk of Parliaments and Clerk of the Legislative Assembly : W. R. Alexander,
C.B.E., J.P.

Clerk Assistant and Clerk of Private Bills : G. R. Webb.

Clerk of Committees and Serjeant-at-Arms : F. E. Wanke.

Reader : T. J. Landy.

Accountant and Assistant Clerk of Committees : P. P. Conlan.

Clerk of the Papers : H. K. McLachlan.

Chief *Hansard* Reporter : A. H. Angel.

Librarian : E. L. Frazer, B.A.
